

IN THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings thereof.

Claim 1 (Original): A porous sheet laminate comprising a release sheet, an ink-receiving porous sheet and provided therebetween an adhesive layer endowed with a water-passing property.

Claim 2 (Original): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein the adhesive layer is provided with a concave groove or an irregularity part to be endowed with a water-passing property.

Claim 3 (Original): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein a water vapor-permeating adhesive is used for the adhesive layer to be endowed with a water-passing property.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein ~~a sheet having pores is inserted into the adhesive layer to endow it with a water-passing property~~ comprises two adhesive layers and a sheet having pores, and wherein the sheet having pores is between the two adhesive layers.

Claim 5 (Original): A water resistant display sheet prepared by providing in order a printing layer and a protective layer on the surface of the ink-receiving porous sheet in the porous sheet laminate as described in any of claims 1 to 4.

Claim 6 (Original): The water resistant display sheet as described in claim 5, wherein it is used for ink jet printing.

Claim 7 (New): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein the ink-receiving porous sheet has a thickness in the range of 10 to 500  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 8 (New): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein the ink-receiving porous sheet has a thickness in the range of 20 to 300  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 9 (New): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein the ink-receiving porous sheet comprises pores having a pore diameter ranging from 0.01 to 10  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 10 (New): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein the ink-receiving porous sheet comprises pores having a pore diameter ranging from 0.05 to 1  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 11 (New): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein the ink-receiving porous sheet comprises a polyolefin base resin and an inorganic powder.

Claim 12 (New): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein the release sheet is selected from the group consisting of paper base material, glassine paper, woodfree paper, cast-coated paper, laminated paper, release-agent-coated plastic film, polyolefin film, polypropylene, polyethylene, polyvinyl chloride film, polyvinylidene chloride film, polyvinyl fluoride film, polymethyl methacrylate film, polycarbonate film, and ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer film.

Claim 13 (New): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein the release sheet has a thickness ranging from 20 to 150  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 14 (New): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein the adhesive layer comprises a material selected from the group consisting of acryl base, rubber base and silicone base.

Claim 15 (New): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein the adhesive layer has a moisture permeability of  $3,000 \text{ g/m}^2 \cdot 24 \text{ hours}$  or more.

Claim 16 (New): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein the adhesive layer has a moisture permeability of  $5,000 \text{ g/m}^2 \cdot 24 \text{ hours}$  or more.

Claim 17 (New): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein the adhesive layer has a thickness ranging from 5 to 100  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 18 (New): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein the adhesive layer has a thickness ranging from 15 to 35  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 19 (New): The porous sheet laminate as described in claim 1, wherein the adhesive layer further comprises a sheet having pores, and wherein the sheet having pores is a nonwoven fabric or a foamed sheet.

Claim 20 (New): A method selected from the group consisting of offset printing, flexo-printing, letter press printing, gravure printing, screen printing, inkjet printing, melt-

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type heat transfer printing, sublimation-type heat transfer printing, textile printing-type heat transfer printing and electrophotographic printing, comprising contacting the ink-receiving porous sheet of the porous sheet laminate described in claim 1 with an ink.

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BASIS FOR THE AMENDMENTS

The specification has been amended to correct an obvious typographic error. The units “g/cm<sup>2</sup>·24 hours” has been corrected where necessary to recite “g/m<sup>2</sup>·24 hours.” Support is found in the specification at the top of page 14, for example. Support is also found in Applicants’ priority application, a certified English translation being supplied herewith.

Claim 4 has been amended to obviate the formal rejection. Support for the amendments is found at specification page 14, lines 13-21 and Figure 2.

New Claims 7-20 have been added, which are drawn to narrower and more preferred embodiments of the invention.

New Claims 7-10 find support at page 8, lines 12-17.

New Claim 11 finds support at the paragraph bridging pages 7-8.

New Claims 12-13 find support in the paragraph bridging pages 8-9 of the specification.

New Claim 14 finds support at page 9, lines 19-21.

New Claims 15-18 find support at page 13, last line through page 14, line 7.

New Claim 19 finds support at page 14, lines 22-25.

New Claim 20 finds support at page 18, lines 3-12.

No new matter is believed to be added by entry of the amendments. Upon entry of the amendments, Claims 1-20 will be active and in condition for allowance. Entry and favorable consideration of the amendments are kindly requested.